## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Etsuko KADOWAKI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/540,028

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Docket No: Q73675

Group Art Unit: 1796

Examiner: Peter D. Mulcahy

## STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

THEREOF AND USE AS FUEL CELL SEPARATOR

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on February 27, 2008:

CURABLE COMPOSITION, CURED PRODUCT THEREOF, MOLDED PRODUCT

## REMARKS

During the interview, the following was discussed:

- 1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: Samples of peroxide cured and uncured cis-1,4-polybutadiene and 1,2-polybutadiene showing that the bending strength of the cured claimed 1,2-polybutadiene is higher than the cured 1,4-polybutadiene.
  - 2. Identification of claims discussed: All pending claims.
  - 3. Identification of art discussed: US 6,436,567
- 4. Result of Interview: Applicants pointed out the property differences between the cured products and argued that the art suggested the use of rubber so as to improve impact

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strength. This would lead one to select the cis-1,4-polybutadiene, which is outside of the scope

of the claims as presented.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF

INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems

otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to

maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such

extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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